Description of the School

Over the recent decades, the distribution of income has been evolving in many advanced and developing countries, leading to increased disparities between the rich and poor, a declining share of the middle class, and a growing public demand for redistribution. Furthermore, increasingly convincing evidence has been provided to show that growing income inequality has harmful effects on economic growth and poverty reduction and tends to amplify the risk of crisis. Consequently, the subject of income inequality and poverty has featured prominently back in the economics research agenda, especially following the onset of the Great Recession in 2007 and the most recent COVID-19 pandemic, both of which have raised renewed concerns about poverty, inequality, and the ability of the world economy to fully recover from the resulting economic crises.

The goal of our Summer School is to yield a better understanding of domestic and international patterns of income distribution, by providing lecture sessions on the main approaches to the measurement of inequality and poverty, their main trends, and their fundamental determinants. During the School, students will also have an opportunity to present their own research in front of the whole group of students and receive comments from faculty.

Web site: https://spocri.unimc.it/it/didattica/post-lauream/corsi-di-formazione-1; contact e-mail: summerschool.spocri@unimc.it.
Online and Onsite

The 2nd edition of the Summer School takes place both in presence and online.

Online Activities

Our online activities (webinars) are streamed using the Zoom platform (https://zoom.us/j/93674401615). Please note: We cannot provide individual assistance during a webinar if you are having difficulty using Zoom.

How to Zoom on the Day of the Webinar

1. Open the Zoom link provided.
2. Your web browser will open up and ask what you want to do (OPEN or LAUNCH Zoom).
3. Click LAUNCH or OPEN. If asked again: click LAUNCH.
4. You will see a prompt to JOIN MEETING.
5. When asked if you want to join with computer audio, select YES.
6. A screen stating “WAITING FOR HOST” will pop up. This means you are in the waiting room and the program host will accept your entry soon.

If you need to re-enter a program in progress, you will need to go through this process again.

Some Zoom Functions Explained

You can usually see several Zoom icons on your computer screen. Here is a brief description of the associated functionalities.

- NAME: When you log into an event, you will need to type your name. Ideally, you use your given and family name to identify you to the host as an authorized student. This will be shown to participants in your window throughout the event.
- CHAT: This function is often used by people to ask questions. Questions can be asked privately to the presenter or to everyone involved in the meeting.
- RECORD: Allows anyone to record the presentation. You are not allowed to record the session under any circumstance.
- MUTE: Make sure your “MUTE” button in the bottom left-hand corner of the screen is selected. The microphone icon will have a red line through it. This will reduce background noise and improve the listening quality for everyone attending the webinar. You can click on this icon to “UNMUTE” when you want to contribute to the discussion.
- PARTICIPANTS: This icon shows how many people are in the virtual call.
- REACTIONS: Lets people show emojis like funny faces etc. during the Zoom presentation.
- START VIDEO: If you want other people to see you, select the “START VIDEO” button in the bottom left-hand corner of the screen. They cannot see you when the camera icon has a red line through it.
- LEAVE: Select the “LEAVE MEETING” icon in the bottom right-hand corner of the screen at the end of the event or if you want to leave.
- SHARE SCREEN: The button is used by presenters only. It is how they show you the presentation.
- SECURITY: This icon is used by the host only.
- POLLING: Allows the host only to ask their audience a question.
Onsite Activities

The onsite sessions will be held in Aula Verde of “Polo Didattico Pantaleoni” (second floor), located in Via Pescheria Vecchia 22, 62100 Macerata - see aerial map below for location.

The following is a more comprehensive map of the city center:

Please note: For Chinese students only, the onsite lectures to be held in Macerata during the week of 13-17 June are streamed through the Zoom platform (https://zoom.us/j/98163732622).

Wi-Fi connection is available in the main university buildings. To access the Wi-Fi network:

- UniMC students, teachers, and staff can use their University DSA credentials (name.surname excluding “@domain.it” and password).
- Guests who belong to other organizations joining the EDUROAM network (https://eduroam.org/) can easily and securely access the UniMC Wi-Fi network using the same credentials provided by their own organization.
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Teaching Material

Lecture slides and teaching material will be made available to students through the following link: https://online.unimc.it. Access to the Portal is authorised with the same login credentials used during the phase of registration to the Summer School.

Agenda

Please recall that:

- Scheduled time is Central European summer time (GMT+2)
- Webinars will be streamed on the Zoom platform at the following link: https://zoom.us/j/93674401615
- Lectures will be held in Aula Verde of “Polo Didattico Pantaleoni” (second floor), located in Via Pescheria Vecchia 22, 62100 Macerata
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Wednesday - June 8th, 2022
11:00 am to 1:00 pm WEBINAR 1 - Measuring Inequality
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<td>WEBINAR 2 - Inequality Amid Income Stagnation: Italy over the Last Thirty Years</td>
<td>Andrea Brandolini (Bank of Italy, Italy)</td>
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<td>Monday - June 13th, 2022</td>
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<td>LECTURE 1 - Absolute Inequality Measures and Perception: The Evidence from Arab Countries</td>
<td>Vasco Molini (World Bank Group Rome Office, Italy)</td>
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<td>Fabio Clementi (University of Macerata, Italy)</td>
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<td>Enzo Valentini (University of Macerata, Italy)</td>
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<td>Elisabetta Croci Angelini (University of Macerata, Italy)</td>
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<td>LECTURE 5 - The Wealth Growth and Distribution in China</td>
<td>Haiyuan Wan (China Institute for Income Distribution at Beijing Normal University, China)</td>
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<td>Francesco Schettino (University of Campania “Luigi Vanvitelli”, Italy)</td>
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<td>LECTURE 7 - Poverty and Inequality: The Multidimensional and Fuzzy Approach</td>
<td>Gianni Betti (University of Siena, Italy)</td>
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11:00 am to 1:00 pm  LECTURE 8 - $r > g$ and Why it Matters for the Distribution of Wealth in Norway

Roberto Iacono (Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway)

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**Friday - June 17th, 2022**

10:00 am to 12:00 pm  Students' Workshop

Chaired by Alessandra Michelangeli (University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy)

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**Monday - June 20th, 2022**

11:00 am to 1:00 pm  WEBINAR 3 - Distributional Comparisons for Ordinal Data

Stephen P. Jenkins (London School of Economics and Political Science, United Kingdom)

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**Tuesday - June 21st, 2022**

11:00 am to 1:00 pm  WEBINAR 4 - Income and Wealth Inequality in Asia and the Pacific: Trends, Causes and Remedies

Juzhong Zhuang (Fanhai International School of Finance, Fudan University, China)

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**Thursday - June 23rd, 2022**

11:00 am to 1:00 pm  WEBINAR 5 - Changes in Income and Wealth Inequality in China

Li Shi (Zhejiang University and China Institute for Income Distribution at Beijing Normal University, China)

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**Friday - June 24th, 2022**

11:00 am to 1:00 pm  FINAL EXAMINATION - Online via Zoom

(https://zoom.us/j/93877679241)

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**Tuesday - June 28th, 2022**

10:00 am to 12:00 pm  CERTIFICATE DELIVERY CEREMONY AND CLOSING UP - Online via Zoom (https://zoom.us/j/94849987227)